

PATENT APPLICATION
IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q80622

Toshikazu YABE, et al.

Appln. No.: 10/804,142

Group Art Unit: 1796

Confirmation No.: 6378

Examiner: Peter MULCAHY

Filed: March 19, 2004

For: RUBBER MATERIAL COMPOSITION AND LINEAR MOTION APPARATUS

RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES

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Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This responds to the Election of Species Requirement, dated December 31, 2007. The Examiner has identified the application as containing claims directed to more than one distinct species. The Examiner has required the Applicant to elect a single disclosed species for prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted. The Examiner believes there are no generic claims. Applicant has been advised that a response to this requirement shall include an identification of the species that is elected and a listing of all claims readable thereon.

In response to the Examiner's requirement, Applicant elects the peroxide vulcanizing system for examination on which claim 8 is readable.

Applicant submits that if any of the elected claims is found to be allowable, claims dependent therefrom should similarly be considered allowable in the same application.

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Applicant reserves the right to file a Divisional Application directed to the non-elected claims.

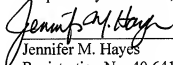
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